

Wellesley Primary School

28 March 2017



BOOK WEEK

Many thanks to Mrs Browning for organising yet another wonderful Book Week. Highlights included a visit from author, Michelle Dennison; doubling up classes with the older children reading to the younger ones and dressing up as book characters for World Book Day. Well done to our winners:-Charlie W (Big Bad Wolf); Freya W (the BFG); Billy (Grandpa from Grandpa's Great Escape); Liam (the BFG); Grace (Fantastic Mr Fox with a bag of chickens!); Jasmine and Jade (Elmer and the Tin Man) and Leonidis (the Mouse from The Gruffalo)

LONDON TRIP

Last week the children in Year 5 travelled to London for a wonderful round of sight-seeing and entertainment. On arrival they walked from Buckingham Palace to Horseguards' Parade, past Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament to the London Eye where some magnificent views were seen. (It was a gloriously sunny day.) They then went to the Lyceum to see the marvellous Lion King after a very important supper in MacDonalds! The day ended with a 'Kip on a Ship' – the children stayed the night on the HMS Belfast! Day 2 started with a very entertaining lesson about life on the HMS Belfast when she was in service followed by a tour of the ship. The children returned to Paddington Station via Kensington Gardens but still most had the energy to talk all the way home! It was a tremendous experience.

We were very proud of the way the children behaved and many members of the public complimented us on their behaviour and good manners. It was also lovely to see how enthusiastic they were about all the new experiences. Many thanks to Mrs Jones for organising this trip and also to the members of staff who accompanied the children – Mrs Gapper, Mrs Harding-Adams, Mrs Pullin, Mrs Jones and Mrs Long.

PARENT FORUM

Many thanks to the parents who attended this session earlier in the term. It was really helpful to gather parent views about topics such as reading and homework. It gave us food for thought and also some really good ideas that we can put into practice in the future. Look out for the date next term so that you can share your views!

BRONZE HEALTHY SCHOOLS AWARD

We are very pleased to announce that we have been awarded the Local Authority's new Health in School Award which involved our work on anti-bullying, children's mental health and well-being and implementing our new Jigsaw scheme. Many thanks to Mrs Harding-Adams for all her hard work in co-ordinating this project as part of her role as PSHE leader. We are now starting work on the Silver Award which will involve parents more.

DIARY DATES

Wednesday 5th April Year 1 and 2 Music Festival
Wednesday 5th April: Y5 Easter Experience at St Nix
Friday 7th April: Y4 Ukulele Concert
Friday 7th March: break up for Easter Holiday
Friday 7th April: FOWS Easter Disco
Monday 24th April: Start of Summer Term

TRIP TO BRISTOL AQUARIUM AND CATHEDRAL

By Holly:

First we got on the coach and drove to the Aquarium. Next we arrived at the Aquarium and we saw some fishes. After we saw some colourful fishes we had a tour with Tom who showed us around. After that we had our lunch and it was yummy, yummy. Then we walked to the Cathedral and we saw a golden eagle and the pulpit and an important cross. It is important because they believe the story of Jesus. Finally we got back on the coach and we went back to school. My favourite thing was seeing the Angel Fish and the Clown Fish.

By Year 4:

At the beginning of the term, Year 4 went on a trip to the aquarium. Our topic this term was the Great Barrier Reef so we were all very excited to see all the different fish and creatures in the aquarium. We were given a tour of the aquarium where we saw lots of wonderful and exotic fish. There were so many different types of fish to see, we were even lucky enough to get to feed some of the fish! The most exciting part of the day was getting to see the Great Barrier Reef exhibition they have at the aquarium. We were able to spot the different types of coral and fish that live in the Great Barrier Reef. We even spotted a fish that looked just like Nemo and Dory! Alongside seeing all of the fish, turtles and seahorses, we got to touch a real sharks tooth! It was a really fun day and made our topic even more exciting to learn about.

Head Teacher's Awards

EYFS – Tobias for super sounding.

Y1 – Isla S for dividing using two different methods; James for finding halves; Charlotte, Annabelle and Faith for using repeated addition to multiply.

Y2 – Ella for meeting her special target; Lucas for a really marvellous recount; Callum for finding three quarters; Sofia, Jacob, Eli, Archie and Levi for writing stories in the present tense about Sunny the Meerkat.

Y3 – Charlie M for spelling using phonemes and beautiful handwriting; Lola for her work on fractions and decimals;

Y5 – Eden, Jacob, Sam, Daniel for their time-slip stories

Y6 – Joe, Adam, Lily, Ryan H, Poppy, Holly, Grayce and Karlie for their discussion writing about WW2
A special mention should also be made about Eva (Y1), George (Y1), Zachary (Y2), Poppy (Y5), Noah (Y5) and Jacob (Y5) who gave up one of their Sunday afternoons to litter pick in the local area. They managed to collect a frightening amount. What good citizens they are!

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

The children continue to amaze us with their wonderful assemblies, sharing the work they have been doing in class.

Y5—Natural Disasters and they shared their sculptures.

Y3—The Water Cycle with a very catchy song.

Y1—Under the Sea. The children sang beautifully and cleaned up the sea.

EYFS did their first ever class assembly for Mother's Day—not a dry eye in the house!

MID-YEAR REPORTS

We do hope that you found these a useful document to start discussions at Parents Evenings. It would be really useful if you could give us some feedback by completing the slip below.

Name of Child (optional) _____ Class _____

Please complete table as appropriate:

	Yes	No
I found the mid-year report helpful		
It gave me a good idea of how my child is doing at school		
It gave a real focus to our Parents Evening meeting		
Comments:		

If you would like to discuss this please provide your name here:
